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## CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS PROVIDE PUBLIC BUILDINGS, HOUSING

PPB ACTIVE IN WARSAW RECONSTRUCTION -- Rzeczpospolita, No 244, 5 Sep 49

The Warsaw branch of the PPB (Panstwowe Przedsiebiorstwo Budowlane, State Construction Enterprise), has built the following buildings:

1. Housing Unit on Nowopolna Avenue

This Unit for the Polish National Bank employees has 210 rooms and contains 34,000 cubic meters. The exterior stone and stucco plastering is all that is necessary to complete the building.

2. Wawelberg and Rotwand School of Engineering, Boboli Street

The cubic content of the building is 51,000 cubic meters. The school is of special reinforced concrete construction. It has two large halls of 500 square meters each, auditoriums with a surface area of 300 square meters, 25 classrooms, and a wind tunnel.

3. Historic Potocki Palace

The cubic content of the building is 19,000 cubic meters. It required 222,000 man-hours to complete this building and the cost was 74 million zlotys. The building is used by the Presidium of the Council of Ministers and the Ministry of Arts and Culture.

4. Historic Seat of the Embassy of Czechoslovakia, Roz Avenue.

The cubic content is 2,260 cubic meters. It took 22,500 man-hours for the construction of this building.

5. Blank Palace, Senatorska Street

The cubic content of the building is 4,000 cubic meters. It took 54,700 man-hours to complete the building.



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5. Sojka Palace, Pickna Street.

The cubic content of this classic palace is 20,000 cubic meters. The building is now used as the PZPR (Communist) Party's library.

All these buildings were completed and ready for use in July, far ahead of the scheduled date. The PPB also built the East-West Artery in Warsaw.

BUILDING RESEARCH INSTITUTE CONSTRUCTION -- Trybuna Ludu, No 239, 31 Aug 49

Construction of a group of structures for the Building Research Institute is proceeding rapidly. The main hall, 20,000 cubic meters in volume, is nearing completion. The entire project will measure 30,000 cubic meters will be completed in 1953.

These buildings are part of a construction project planned at Aleja Niepodleglosci, in the zone of the former Pole Mokotowskie.

WORKERS IN LODZ TO GET 2,500 ROOMS -- Trybuna Ludu, No 243, 4 Sep 49

By the end of 1949, 2,500 rooms (both new and restored) will be ready for Lodz workers. In the near future, one block (350 rooms) of the apartment-house development at Stoki will be ready for occupancy. Renovation work on 650 rooms in old houses is almost completed. Textile workers and salaried workers of the Municipal Administration will be housed in 12 newly renovated buildings in Poluty. By the end of 1949, six blocks (700 rooms) of an apartment-house development will be completed except for finishing appointments. Construction on two other blocks will then begin.

WARSAW CITIZENS TO DONATE 8 HOURS WORK -- Zycie Warszay, No 239, 31 Aug 49

In September every Warsovian will be required to give 8 hours to the reconstruction of the capital. Four hours will be devoted to clearing away rubble on the housing project at Wilanow, and 4 hours to work in other districts. The main object will be to salvage bricks still found in great quantities among the rubble. Radio concerts, shows, slogans, and lectures will advertise this work, which is part of the Six-Year Plan. Citizen's committees will supervise the program.

PROGRESS NOTED -- Rzeczpospolita, No 239, 31 Aug 49

The extraordinary progress of construction in Warsaw has made it possible to house 600,000 people at present. It is expected that Warsaw's population will increase to over 2 million in 6 years. Contributions made for the Reconstruction Fund have helped to build parts of the East-West Artery and will be used for the reconstruction of the Royal Palace, the Worker's, Farmer's and Youth Centers. Construction work of the new North-South Artery will start in September and is a part of the construction project of the Six-Year Plan.

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